

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 171

By Graves

A RESOLUTION To honor and recognize Rachel Leah Mathews,
2001 Salutatorian of Springfield High School.

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Rachel Leah Mathews is one such exceptional student who was recently named salutatorian of the 2001 graduating class at Springfield High School; and

WHEREAS, Through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Miss Mathews has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, In her remarkable high school career, Miss Mathews has earned an exemplary 3.982 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, A manifestation of Miss Mathews' excellent academic achievement is her membership in the exclusive National Honor Society and Beta Club, as well as her receipt of several academic awards, including the fifth place award in the Small Business Management for Business Professionals of America State Desktop Award, the Accounting I Award, the Stinger

Award, the President's Education Award, the Acteens Queen with Scepter Award, the Keyboarding/Software Award, and the Geometry Award; and

WHEREAS, In addition to maintaining an extraordinary academic record, Rachel Mathews also participates in the Springfield High School Business Academy, Business Professionals of America, the Springfield Baptist Youth Choir, and Acteens; and

WHEREAS, Rachel Mathews' display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as she plans to attend the University of Tennessee at Martin in the fall; and

WHEREAS, Miss Mathews' noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Burr and Elaine Mathews, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Rachel Mathews' dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2001 Springfield High School Salutatorian, Rachel Leah Mathews, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.